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ADVANTEST CORPORATION

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Notice Regarding Partial Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

The Company hereby announces that its Board of Directors, at a meeting held today, resolved to submit a proposal for partial amendment of the Articles of Incorporation to the 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company to be held on June 24, 2022, as described below.

1. Purposes of the Amendments

- i. The provisions referred to in the proviso to Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the "Act Partially Amending the Companies Act" (Act No. 70 of 2019) will become effective as of September 1, 2022. In order to prepare for the introduction of the system that requires the reference documents and other relevant documents for general meetings of shareholders to be provided by electronic means, Article 13 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation shall be amended as set forth below. In connection with such amendments, certain provisions concerning, among other things, the effective date of the amendments shall also be provided as supplementary provisions of the Articles of Incorporation.
 - (a) Article 13 (1) of the proposed amendments is to provide that the information contained in the reference documents and other relevant documents for general meetings of shareholders shall be provided by electronic means.
 - (b) Article 13 (2) of the proposed amendments is to provide a provision that allows the Company to limit the scope of the matters to be set forth in the hardcopies of the documents to be delivered to shareholders who have requested such hardcopies.
 - (c) The provisions concerning internet disclosures and deemed provision of the reference documents and other relevant documents for general meetings of shareholders (Article 13 of the current Articles of Incorporation) are to be deleted as they will become unnecessary.
- ii. In order to further strengthen the Company's corporate governance, the Company has abolished the system of the Counselor and Advisor since 2020. In conjunction with the amendment of the Articles of Incorporation, Article 29 of the current Articles of Incorporation, a provision concerning Counselors and Advisors, is to be deleted.

2. Details of the Amendments
Details of the amendments are as follows:

	(The underlined text is to be amended.)
Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
(Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of	(Deleted)
Reference Documents for General Meeting of	
Shareholders, etc.)	
Article 13	
The Company may, in connection with the	
convocation of a general meeting of	
shareholders, deem the information concerning	
matters to be stated or indicated on the	
reference documents for a general meeting of	
shareholders, business report, statement of	
accounts and consolidated statement of account	
to have been provided to the shareholders by	
disclosing such information through the	
Internet pursuant to the applicable rules and the	
Ministerial Ordinance of the Ministry of	
Justice.	
(Newly established)	 (Measure for Electronic Provision) Article 13 1. In convening a general meeting of shareholders, the Company shall electronically provide the information contained in the reference documents and other relevant documents for the general meeting of shareholders. 2. Among the matters to be provided electronically, the Company may avoid setting forth, in the hardcopies of the documents to be delivered to shareholders who have requested such hardcopies by the relevant record date for voting rights, any or all of the matters specified by the Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice.
(Counselors and Advisors) Article 29 The Board of Directors may by its resolution appoint one or more Counselors and Advisors, respectively.	(Deleted)
Article <u>30</u> ~Article <u>38</u> (Omitted)	Article <u>29</u> ~Article <u>37</u> (Unchanged)

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS	SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS
(Newly established)	Article 2
	1. The deletion of Article 13 (Internet Disclosure
	and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents
	for General Meeting of Shareholders, etc.) of the
	Articles of Incorporation prior to the amendments
	and the new establishment of Article 13 (Measure
	for Electronic Provision) of the Articles of
	Incorporation after the amendments shall become
	effective as of September 1, 2022, the effective
	date of the provisions referred to in the proviso to
	Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act Partially Amending the Companies Act (Act
	No. 70 of 2019) (hereinafter, the "Effective
	Date").
	2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding
	paragraph, Article 13 (Internet Disclosure and
	Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for
	General Meeting of Shareholders, etc.) of the
	Articles of Incorporation prior to the amendments
	shall remain in force with respect to any general
	meeting of shareholders held on a date within six
	(6) months from the Effective Date.
	3. This Article 2 shall be automatically deleted on
	the date when six (6) months have passed from
	the Effective Date or the date when three (3)
	months have passed from the date of the general
	meeting of shareholders set forth in the preceding
	paragraph, whichever comes later.